



Sister Stanislas

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Sister Stan Early Years

- Sister Stan was born Treasa Kennedy
- She was born in Dingle County Kerry on 19th of June 1939
- She has three sisters and one brother
- Her Parents were small farmers



Sisters Stan Religious Life

In 1958 Sister Stan joined religious Sisters of Charity when she was 18

Sr Stans first convent was in Kilkenny but she later moved to Dublin

Sr Stan said she became a nun to help tackle poverty in Ireland and as a woman she knew she could make a difference in the Church.



Focus Ireland

- Sr Stan founded Focus Ireland in 1985
- The main reason she set it up was following her research into the needs of women that were homeless in Dublin in the 1980s
- Focus Ireland helps people find a home as well as a place to meet and have a meal
- Focus Ireland started in Dublin but they now have services across Ireland.

Immigrant Council of Ireland

- St Stan founded the Immigrant Council of Ireland in 2001
- It was founded to support people entering the country
- The council has helped more than 120,000 people from migrant backgrounds to live in Ireland



Interesting Facts

- Sr Stan knew Peig Sayers when she was a little girl
- She was on the Council of State from 1997 to 2004
- She is a cancer survivor

Present day

- Sr Stan is 83 years but is still working hard to look after the vulnerable people in Ireland
- Last month Sr Stan brought out a new book called Finding Hope and the proceeds from the sale of the book will go to towards the care of the most vulnerable people in our society
- Sr Stan is in today's news trying stop people getting evicted from their homes

Awards

- Sr Stan has received numerous awards for her outstanding work for they poor in society some of which are below:
- 1981 Kerry person of the year
- 1996 the Lord mayor of dublin award
- 2005 Honorary Degree of doctor of the Open university
- 2015 International Womens Forum
- 2022 Honorary Doctor of Letters from University of Limerick

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